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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Stumer  
Serial No.: 09/218,783  
Filed: December 22, 1998  
For: NETWORK GROUP PICKUP

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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Sir:

On November 6, 2002

- a Final Office Action was issued in the above-entitled case, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response.
- a Notice of Appeal was filed.
- Immediately following this Petition is:
- a response to the outstanding Final Office Action.
- an Appeal Brief.
- a Continued Prosecution Application of the above-referenced application.

This is a petition for a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). The required fee should be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2179, and a triplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for accounting purposes. The fee is believed to be

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\$ 110.00 per 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)  
-        paid with previous petition dated  
\$ 110.00 Balance due PTO.

If this Petition is for an incorrect time period or if the above balance due is incorrect, please treat this paper as a petition for the appropriate period and fee and charge/credit any fee deficiencies/overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

Respectfully submitted,



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